

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
REQUEST FOR FILING APPLICATION UNDER RULE 3(b)**



08/22/00

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.53(b), please file a ☒ continuation/☐ divisional  
of the pending prior PATENT APPLICATION of:  
Inventor: NATHAN et al.  
Serial No. 08/817,437  
Filed: June 12, 1997  
For: **HOME DIGITAL AUDIOVISUAL INFORMATION RECORDING AND PLAYBACK SYSTEM**  
Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231  
Sir:

Atty Dkt.: 871-88  
C# M#  
Date: August 22, 2000  
Group: 2711  
Examiner: J. Miller



This request for filing under Rule 53(b) is made by the following named inventor(s) (using the above-identified title):  
Inventor(s): NATHAN et al.

- ☒ Attached is a true copy of the prior French PCT application and the English translation as originally filed including the specification, claims, Oath/Declaration and drawings (if any) and abstract (if any). No amendments (if any) referenced in the Oath or Declaration filed to complete the prior application introduced new matter.
- ☒ Priority is hereby claimed under 35 USC 119 based on the following foreign applications, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application:

<u>Application Number</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Day/Month/Year/Filed</u>
PCT/FR94/01185	PCT	12/October/1994

☐ certified copy(ies) of foreign application(s) attached or

☐ already filed on \_\_\_\_\_ in prior appln. no. \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_

☒ already filed in 08/817,437 filed June 12, 1997

- ☐ Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line: -- This application claims the benefit of U.S.

Provisional Application No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application.--

- ☒ The prior application is assigned to TOUCHTUNES MUSIC CORPORATION.

☒ Power of Attorney has been granted to Joseph S. Presta et al, Reg. No. 35,329 of Nixon & Vanderhye P.C., 1100 N. Glebe Rd., 8<sup>th</sup> Flr, Arlington, VA 22201.

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☒ Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line --This is a continuation of application Serial No. 08/817,437, filed June 12, 1997, now pending, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application.--

☐ "Small entity" statement of record. ☐ "Small entity" statement attached.

☐ Petition filed in prior application to extend its life to insure copendency.

☒ The Examiner's attention is directed to the prior art cited in the parent application by applicant and/or Examiner for the reasons stated therein.

☒ Please enter the attached and/or below preliminary amendment **prior** to calculation of filing fee:

☒ Substitute Specification and marked-up copy of specification.

☒ Request for Approval of Drawing Changes.

☒ The entire disclosure of the prior application above-referenced is considered as being part of the disclosure of this new application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

**FILING FEE IS BASED ON CLAIMS AS FILED LESS ANY HERewith CANCELED**

Basic Filing Fee		\$	690.00
Total effective claims	2 - 20 (at least 20) = 0 x \$ 18.00	\$	0.00
Independent claims	1 - 3 (at least 3) = 0 x \$ 78.00	\$	0.00
If any proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, add \$260.00 (ignore improper)		\$	0.00
	<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	\$	690.00
If "small entity," then enter half (1/2) of subtotal and subtract		-(	0.00)
	<b>SECOND SUBTOTAL</b>	\$	690.00
Assignment Recording Fee (\$40.00)		\$	0.00
	<b>TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED</b>	\$	690.00

Any future submission requiring an extension of time is hereby stated to include a petition for such time extension. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our **Account No. 14-1140**. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

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Attention: Chief Draftsperson

**REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF  
PROPOSED DRAWING AMENDMENTS**

Approval is requested for the proposed drawing amendments shown in red  
on the attached photocopies of Figures 1-11.

Respectfully submitted,

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